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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT DISTRICT OF OREGON PORTLAND DIVISION

DISABILITY RIGHTS OREGON, METROPOLITAN PUBLIC DEFENDER SERVICES, INC., and A.J. MADISON,

3:02-cv-00339-AN (Lead) 3:21-cv-01637-AN (Member)

6:22-cv-01460-AN (Member)

Plaintiffs,

v.

DECLARATION OF CHANCE WOOLEY

SEJAL HATHI, in her official capacity as Director of Oregon Health Authority; and SARA WALKER, in her official capacity as Interim Superintendent of the Oregon State Hospital,

Defendants.

JAROD BOWMAN, and JOSHAWN DOUGLAS-SIMPSON,

Plaintiffs,

v.

SARA WALKER, Interim Superintendent of the Oregon State Hospital, in her official capacity; DOLORES MATTEUCCI, in her individual capacity; SAJEL HATHI, Director of the Oregon Health Authority, in her official capacity; and PATRICK ALLEN, in his individual capacity,

Defendants.

Filed 03/11/25

LEGACY EMANUEL HOSPITAL & HEALTH CENTER d/b/a UNITY CENTER FOR BEHAVIORAL HEALTH; LEGACY HEALTH SYSTEM; PEACEHEALTH; PROVIDENCE HEALTH & SERVICES -OREGON; and ST. CHARLES HEALTH SYSTEM,

Case 6:22-cv-01460-AN

Plaintiffs,

V.

SEJAL HATHI, MD, in her official capacity as Director of Oregon Health Authority,

Defendant.

I, the undersigned Chance Wooley, declare that:

- 1. I am a Forensic Mental Health Supervisor with Washinton County Health and Human Services. I have served in this position for 13 years and have been employed with Washington County for 26 years. I have personal knowledge of the information contained in this declaration and am competent to testify in a court of law.
- 2. I have reviewed the Motion for Contempt and Remedial Order filed by Plaintiff Disability Rights Oregon (DRO) on January 7, 2025.
- 3. In that motion, DRO requests that this Court exercise its contempt powers to compel the State to transfer or discharge all aid and assist patients on the Ready to Place list within 30 days. (Request 4(b) on p. 25).
- In my professional opinion, this remedy would pose a significant risk to the health and safety of patients with complex care and safety needs, specifically patients awaiting placement in Oregon Health Authority (OHA) certified licensed residential programs, including Secure Residential Treatment Facilities (SRTFs), Residential Treatment Facilities (RTFs), Residential Treatment Homes (RTHs), and Adult Foster Homes (AFHs), and patients who are unable or unwilling to consent to such necessary services.

- 5. If this Court were to impose the relief requested in 4(b) of DRO's motion, the immediate and indiscriminate transfer or discharge of these patients would likely result in increased strain on hospital emergency departments, heightened law enforcement involvement, elevated rates of recidivism, and substantial risk to patient and community safety.
- 6. If this Court does decide to find the State in contempt and addresses the status of individuals on the Ready to Place list, we would recommend that the state facilitate a transfer to an Oregon Health Authority-designated licensed residential facility that aligns with the patient's specific and clinical and safety needs within 30 days for those patients that require intensive, 24/7 care and/or those individuals that pose a substantial safety risk. It is my opinion that this approach would ensure continuity of restoration services within the most clinically appropriate and safe environment.

I HEREBY DECLARE THAT THE ABOVE STATEMENT IS TRUE TO THE BEST OF
MY KNOWLEDGE AND BELIEF, AND THAT I UNDERSTAND IT IS MADE FOR USE
AS EVIDENCE IN COURT AND IS SUBJECT TO PENALTY FOR PERJURY.

DATED: March 11, 2025.

Chance Wooley

Forensic Mental Health Supervisor

Washington County Health and Human Services

State of OREGON

County of Washington

This record was acknowledged before me on (date) March 11th 20_25_bv

(name(s)) of individual(s) Chane Worley

Notary Public - State of Oregon
My commission expires 12 27 27

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MY COMMISSION EXP. DECEMBER 27, 2027